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## Easterling, Deborah

From:

Easterling, Deborah

Sent:

Tuesday, September 06, 2011 12:31 PM

To: Subject: 'Maria Kithcart' RE: Kithcart Protest 009/8/11

Dear Ms. Kithcart,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your email to the Public Service Commission. I am forwarding your email and Letter of Protest to our Clerk's Office for processing. Your email and Letter of Protest will become a part of Docket No. 2011-271-E and will be posted on our website under this docket.

Please let me know if you should require any additional information.

Sincerely,

Deborah Easterling
Administrative Assistant
----Original Message----

From: Maria Kithcart [mailto:mariakithcart96@webster.edu]

Sent: Thursday, September 01, 2011 5:10 PM.

To: Contact

Subject: Kithcart Protest

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## Letter of Protest

Date: \* September 06, 2011 in Docket \* 2011 - 271 - E

Protestant Information:					
Name *	Maria A. Kithcart				
Mailing Address *	17 Oak Hill Drive				
City, State Zip *	Greenville	, SC	29607	Phone *	864-979-6314

1. What is your connection or interest in this case? \* For example, are you a customer of the Company that is the subject of this pending proceeding? (This section <u>must</u> be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)

We are customers of Duke Power and will be directly affected by any increase.

2. Please give a concise statement of your protest. \* (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)

Upstate residents living on fixed incomes and others whose retirement and savings nest eggs dwindled during this economic downturn report to AARP South Carolina they are already stretching to make ends meet. Unlike older South Carolinians who are struggling, Duke just posted more than \$400 million in second quarter profits. Now is not the time for a double-digit increase in residential utility rates!

This also directly affects households who have loved ones with special needs. My son is autistic, and we have invested a great deal in his ongoing therapy. A double-digit increase in our electric bill will take much needed income from our son's therapeutic needs. Please seriously consider citizens who are more vulnerable like our elderly and special needs population before you make such increases.

3. Do you wish to make an appearance at a hearing in this proceeding, if scheduled, and offer sworn testimony? \*

(This section should be completed.)

I do not wish to make an appearance.